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Applicant: Linus WIEBE et al. Conf.: 6434  
Appl. No.: 09/987,159 Group: 3628  
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For: NETWORK-BASED SYSTEM

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December 28, 2004

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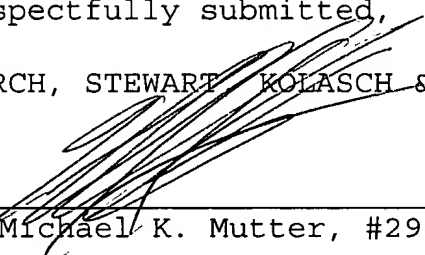
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